REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BUDGET

Voting Members:

Ernest Y. Martin, Chair; Tulsi Gabbard Tamayo, Vice-Chair; Stanley Chang, Breene Harimoto, Ann H. Kobayashi

Committee Meeting Held February 9, 2011

Honorable Nestor R. Garcia Chair, City Council City and County of Honolulu

Mr. Chair:

Your Committee on Budget, which considered Resolution 11-18 entitled:

"RESOLUTION URGING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO ESTABLISH AFTER-SCHOOL ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS AT CERTAIN CITY DISTRICT PARKS."

introduced on January 25, 2011, reports as follows:

The purpose of the Resolution is to urge the City Administration to establish after-school enrichment programs at certain City district parks and to report its progress to the Council by September 1, 2011.

The Acting Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) stated currently DPR has 7 district parks that provide daycare to children, operated by the Honolulu Community Action Program. The Director also stated that if the resolution were to be adopted by Council, additional manpower would be needed to facilitate additional programs. The resolution would also require the department to charge a fee at the parks. The other challenge stated by the Director would be to determine in which park to start the pilot project.

Committee Chair Martin stated that DPR should explore public-private partnerships to provide these services at parks and thanked the Director his willingness to work on this issue.

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Your Committee amended the Resolution to include language "to study the feasibility of establishing after-school enrichment programs at certain City district parks."

Your Committee on Budget is in accord with the intent and purpose of Resolution 11-18, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as Resolution 11-18, CD1. (Ayes: Martin, Chang, Gabbard Tamayo, Harimoto, Kobayashi – 5.)

Respectfully submitted,

Committee Chair

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CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU HONOLULU, HAWAII

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RESOLUTION

URGING THE CITY ADMINISTRATION TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING AFTER-SCHOOL ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS AT CERTAIN CITY DISTRICT PARKS.

WHEREAS, summer fun programs have provided entertainment, sportsmanship, and creative learning experiences for participants; and

WHEREAS, these recreational activities for children include arts and crafts, music and dance, creative dramatics, sports and games, excursions, Hawaiiana, and physical fitness; and

WHEREAS, these experiences contribute greatly to the personal growth and development of Honolulu's youth; and

WHEREAS, quality after-school programs offer benefits similar to summer fun programs, including keeping children safe, inspiring learning, and helping working families; and

WHEREAS, many parents have difficulty finding after-school programs for their children due to lack of availability, costs, or transportation issues; and

WHEREAS, the council finds that there is a shortage of established after-school programs and activities at city district parks after regular school hours; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of after-school enrichment programs at certain city district parks would expand the availability of opportunities for children who are on their own in the afternoons or in the care of older siblings; and

WHEREAS, many city district parks have facilities enabling the accommodation of after-school enrichment programs; and

WHEREAS, Section 10-12, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu, allows for the establishment of a fee for participation in after-school programs to defray the costs of running the programs; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that the city administration is urged to study the feasibility of establishing after-school enrichment programs at certain city district parks and shall report on its progress to the council by September 1, 2011; and



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RESOLUTION

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the mayor and the managing director.

	INTRODUCED BY:
	Ann Kobayashi
DATE OF INTRODUCTION:	
January 25, 2011	
Honolulu Hawaii	Councilmembers